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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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SUBJECT: Procurement of Prototype Model of the Fluid Gate
Briefing Print Enlarger (BPE)

1. The representative of the agency concurring and signing this memorandum accepts the understanding of procurement of the BPE as outlined below:

a. [] will fabricate 1 prototype model of the BPE according to specifications agreed upon between NPIC and [] for the Naval Reconnaissance Technical Support Center (NRTSC). The model will be an exact copy of the master prototype BPE being fabricated for NPIC.

b. It is understood that some degree of risk or sacrifice in the perfection of the equipment may exist with this type of procurement.

c. NPIC accepts the responsibility for joint procurement, administration of the contract, and technical and administrative monitoring of the contract. Technical monitors of the agency concerned will work closely with the NPIC monitor.

d. Cost of each BPE model will be ROM [] each; residual funds, if any, will be used for spare parts.

e. The prototype model will be scheduled for delivery about sixteen months from the day [] commences fabrication.

2. A series of limited tests have been performed on the "breadboard" BPE: results of the tests of the equipment and the actual samples of the enlargements made through the magnification range 3x to 60x shows it to be of very high quality. Technically, the BPE can be expected to produce a yield not now available and with superior results. It is understood that the procurement for the BPE prototype model is an unsolicited requirement placed upon NPIC and that NPIC representatives are acting as agents in the procurement of the additional prototype model.

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CONCUR:

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